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CONTACT (U.K.)

Contact is a world-wide non-profit making educational movement devoted to U.F.O. research and the promotion of greater awareness working towards universal friendship and truth.

Reflections.

We attach three significant meanings to the word Contact.

1. We are devoting much time and energy learning as much as possible about flying saucers, where they come from and what their purpose of coming is. We are prepared to contact them and to be contacted by them. This is done as a group effort, and by those most responsible.
2. As individuals we are trying to reach up to higher thinking and greater enlightenment. No matter how much we may learn about space craft and other so-called mysteries of life, we still have to face ourselves. We have to work hard on ourselves in order to gain greater insight; realising our inner potentials and capabilities so that we can benefit from them. So often we look outside ourselves for the solution of the problems which beset our daily lives instead of looking within ourselves.
3. We endeavour to make contact with all those who share our interests. As you can see the purposes of Contact are many, (three-fold at least). I strongly believe that we are meeting a demand, a demand expressed by so many today.

There has been much talk recently of conscious awareness, meditation and enlightenment. These things are very much in the air. We are truly up to date discussing these subjects. It is felt that when open contact is made with evolved people from other planets the level of our consciousness will soar in an unparalleled way. In the meantime so many are looking for wisdom, a greater inner realisation and a widening of individual horizons so that as responsible and mature people we can confidently face up to all eventualities and even adversities. We are now exploring many pathways and we are discovering that there is much truth in those subjects which at one time were attributed to the imaginings of a lunatic fringe. Whereas we must fully realise that we are living in a material world we must

nevertheless not lose sight of the fact that there are other dimensions where higher and finer frequencies operate. When reflecting upon this we begin to realise that an all pervading Universal Intelligence is operating, particularly when we meditate upon and oversee in our mind's eye the millions upon millions of stars and planets, moving around in an orderly fashion. Let us then picture ourselves standing on this tiny but beautiful planet together with nearly 3,000 million other people. We may then begin to realise that as individuals we are not the centre of the universe but only the centre of our personal Awareness.

These billions of planets and stars are all part of the Infinite Universe. Very few can nowadays be so arrogant as to assume that we are the only intelligently inhabited planet. The great astronomers of our age firmly believe that millions of planets could be life-sustaining.

If we think that only we have been developing space projects, we should pause and think again. In the last 20 years we have made tremendous strides and advances. Now if there is intelligent life on other planets as we in Contact are certain there is, would it not be rational to assume that they may have done the same far in advance of us? Would it not be possible that they have taken a great interest in our spiritual evolution long before the word flying saucer was coined in 1947?

Are we not slowly coming to realise that mankind may have been visited by extra-terrestrials for thousands upon thousands of years? Naturally there has been much speculation and I can not stress enough that this whole field is wide open to hoaxers, misguided and deluded people. Above all, the sensation mongers. Then there are people with a purely materialistic approach to all phenomena. Also the people who approach the subject not only without wisdom but also with a mixed-up and woolly conception of the occult. This is the reason why we prefer to follow the Golden Middle path. Let us always try to keep an open mind using wisdom, discrimination and reason, but never lose our sense of wonder.

Naturally we all want to meet highly evolved space people. This may be possible if we as a united body invite them in as our guests and advisors. We in Contact have set out to do this. A platform is being prepared by all of us. In this way we can aid mankind so that through the coming of the space people and our own efforts we can eventually attain peace on earth, and harmony, understanding and

tolerance among ourselves.

As one of our members put it so aptly, "we have to set into operation the scheme for the re-development of our world that now hovers on its axis between the ever-growing surge of new enlightenment and Awareness, and the downward rush of materialism; the continuing hostilities between our divided races and the encroaching dangers of science flying temporarily off balance as man steers it in the wrong direction."

Our movement has again taken tremendous strides forward. At present we have close to 1,000 members and this upward trend will continue. "Awareness" has been further improved and in our future editions we will carry illustrations. This issue has a circulation of 1,500 and we are expecting to circulate over 2,000 in the near future. We will at all times endeavour to produce the best in our field and carry in each issue attractive articles by scientists, thinkers, observers and members who have something to contribute to the enlightenment and knowledge of mankind.

We have now become the largest UFO movement in this country. Our thanks go out to all our members for their very fine and continued support. As a firmly united body we can set an example in word and deed not only to our fellow members but also to our fellow beings on this planet.

Johan Quanjer
National Chairman.

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TAKE HIGHER GROUND

By Brinsley Le Poer Trench
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Recently, there has been a considerable tendency in some of the more prominent American and English flying saucer magazines to label the Sky People as hostile.

What is the truth? Are our visitors friendly or hostile?

Let us take a look at the record and, also, at the evidence for hostility put forward by those writers who maintain that viewpoint.

Flying objects have been observed in our skies all through recorded history. Since the end of the last world war there has been a tremendous increase in these sightings. Hundreds of thousands have been reported from all over the world during the last two decades.

Some writers on the subject have taken the view that this intensification of sightings over the last twenty years means that an imminent invasion of this planet by the space people is on the cards.

It seems odd that any civilisation so highly advanced would require twenty years to conduct a military reconnaissance of the Earth. If they had desired to do so the visitors could have destroyed us in the twinkling of an eye with their super-technology. They have not done so.

So much for the long term record. What is the result? You and I are still here breathing God's fresh air.

Now, let us turn to some of the points that writers have put forward as evidence that the saucers are hostile.

The oldest one that comes to mind is the tragic death of Captain Thomas F. Mantell. This has frequently been put down to hostile action by the visitors.

A huge glowing object was seen over the state of Kentucky by thousands of people on the afternoon of January 7, 1948. State police notified Godman Air Force Base and soon afterwards the UFO was spotted from the control tower. The C.O. radioed Captain Mantell who was then airborne with his squadron on a routine

training flight. Mantell reported back that he had sighted the object and his squadron was going after it. After some time the three other pilots gradually dropped out of the chase due to lack of oxygen, leaving Mantell climbing after the UFO in his F-51 Mustang fighter.

After about half an hour Mantell's voice suddenly came over the radio, "It's directly ahead of me and moving at about half my speed. I'm closing in now to take a good look. The thing looks metallic and its tremendous in size."

Then silence. About an hour later the wreckage of his plane was found scattered over a very wide area.

The official view of the U.S. Air Force was that Mantell had been chasing one of the huge Skyhook balloons sent up by the U.S. Navy for research into the upper atmosphere. Whether it was a UFO or a Skyhook balloon the U.S. Air Force in their official report cleared the object Mantell was chasing from any blame. The report states: "The UFO was in no way directly* responsible for this accident. However, it is probable that the excitement caused by the object was responsible for this experienced pilot conducting a high altitude flight without the necessary oxygen equipment....."(Note: Underlining by U.S. Air Force)

We have it then directly from the U.S. Air Force that the UFO was not responsible for Mantell's death.

How many people have suffered burns from rays emanating from UFOs when they have got too close to these craft. The answer to this is quite simple. It is a matter of pure ignorance on the part of those unfortunate human beings. Incidentally, this lack of knowledge on the part of mankind may well be one more reason why the saucers do not land more frequently and why they tend to keep away.

No reasonable human being would stand close to an aeroplane's propeller or near the jets of a modern aircraft. It is equally dangerous for anyone to stand under a UFO that is hovering at a low altitude or to attempt to go near one that has landed. There is a danger of contracting radiation sickness and burns from being in the close proximity of UFOs. However, let me emphasize this is not hostility on their part. It is the duty of us all to spread this important information around.

There have been many well-authenticated cases of landed saucers where the occupants have got out to take a look at the scenery.

Sudden y, they have been surprised by the unexpected arrival in the area of earth people. The space pilots have used some kind of ray gun to temporarily immobilise the newcomers. This has allowed the crew to re-enter their craft and take off into the blue. No harm has come to those immobilised. They have undergone a temporary paralysis which after a short time disappears.

Some of us may not think that this is very nice behaviour on the part of some of the visitors. We must realise, however, that the saucer occupants are coming from many areas. The more advanced ones would not need to use such tactics.

We should remember, too, that earth people have been known to fire at both the saucers and their occupants. There are many cases on record of an inhospitable attitude on our part. Word has probably got round the galaxy that the natives on this planet are dangerous. It is only natural that some of the visitors take precautions.

If any people deserve to be called hostile it is the human race on Earth. Take a look at the long terrible record of savage wars waged in the sacred names of religion, nationalism, greed and despotism. Look at the Spanish Inquisition with its ghastly tortures. In more modern times look at Belsen and Hiroshima.

Look at the way crime and skulduggery flourish everywhere. Look at the murders, sexual assaults, bestiality to children and racial hatred. Look too at mankind's cruelty to animals.

I fully appreciate that there are thousands of wonderfully evolved, spiritually-minded people with us today, but unfortunately there are many who are not in that happy state.

Let us remember mankind's built-in tendency to regard anything that he does not understand as something to be feared. Therefore, he is apt to consider anyone coming from off this planet as a probable enemy. The spate of horrific science fiction films shown on both television and the cinema has only added fuel to the bonfire of fear and suspicion in people's minds.

I am not so stupid as to categorically state that all flying saucers are necessarily friendly. There may be a few undesirable ones around. This universe and the inter-penetrating invisible ones are very large indeed. However, those Sky People that have been more intimately associated with us since time immemorial are keeping watch over us and it is them that we hope to contact before very much longer.

The power of thought is a marvellous force, used correctly. It was Shakespeare who wrote "thinking makes it so." How right he was. Have you noticed how in everyday life this operates? If you think little petty thoughts you will get back the same sort of things. If you think big positive thoughts you will achieve a great deal.

I would like to suggest that if you think the saucers are hostile then you may well conjure that kind up for yourself one fine day. Have you noticed how many air disasters all seem to happen over a short period? The same with train disasters. Recently, we have had a whole lot of accidents at railway crossings. I have a hunch that this is something due to the power of mass negative thought lingering over the first accident. This tremendous negative force may cause the rest.

This is the damage that newspapers do today in presenting at great length the most sensational news on the front page. Wars, crime, sex, aeroplane and train disasters. These are the news items that sell the papers. It is not entirely their fault. After all, they are in business to sell as many copies of their papers as possible. They would not go to such lengths to describe in every gory detail all the horrors of a train disaster if there was not a demand from the public for that sort of thing. Unfortunately, there is a demand. Just look at the millions of copies sold of the Bond books, specialising in violence, sadism and sex. Unfortunately, many human beings take a vicarious pleasure in reading about all these sordid matters in both books and in the newspapers. They partially identify themselves with the actors in these dramas and get a kick out of it.

In the same way, regrettable though it is, there are some saucer writers and readers of saucer magazines who thrive on sensationalism in our subject. To them the saucers must be hostile. They like reading about people allegedly 'silenced' by phoney 'men in black.' It all makes sensational reading and they are apt to identify themselves with those that have been 'silenced'. Soon, they too, are telling their friends they have received threatening telephone calls from mysterious beings. And so it goes on. It's a great game and exciting for those little-minded people who play it.

However there are others who believe in the existence of the Sky People that take a more positive view and are aware of the deeper aspects of this subject. We are not all playing silly games

Let us continue, therefore, to take 'higher ground' - and, as I have stated more than once on the public platform, 'If WE WALK IN THE LIGHT WE WILL NOT SEE THE DARK.'

*Flying Saucers: special issue of LOOK Magazine, 1967. 7.

IS THERE LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS?

By Alison Brown. PART I.

Scientists seem to be of the opinion that life could exist on other planets. Some scientists have suggested that only planets similar to Earth can support life, whilst others think this is not the case. In these days of bug-eyed monsters, and ever increasingly improbable fantasies, as to the appearance of the inhabitants of other planets, this, the best of our scientific articles, shows and develops the theories of how and why other peoples must look, in relation to ourselves. Based upon historical, and modern established scientific thought, this article is a 'must' for anyone even pretending to a knowledge of the scientific side of this important subject.

Life, despite the myriad forms in which it occurs on this planet has a fundamental unity. All life, as we know it, is based on the same systems; the building-up of complex living beings from simple, self-replicating cells, and, basic to this, the self-replication of the DNA molecules.

DNA occurs in cell nuclei, and is found in nearly every living organism. The only case in which DNA does not occur in what is apparently a self-replicating system, is in the causative agent of "scrapie", a disease of sheep. The causative agent is smaller than a virus, and has no DNA, yet reproduces itself, and is extremely resistant to ultra-violet light, which will destroy the complex DNA structures very rapidly. But, in general, life, and certainly intelligent life on this planet cannot exist without DNA.

What, then, is this miraculous substance? There is no room in this article to go into the structure and properties of DNA in any detail, so briefly, it is a long-chain spiral molecule that occurs in cell nuclei. The complete molecule consists of two strands which are wound together like the sides of a spiral staircase. The steps, which hold the two sides together, are hydrogen bonds, bonds that are only about 10% as effective as the ordinary chemical bonds that hold the two long chains together; yet it is their very weakness that is important in the reproduction of the molecule. Under certain conditions, these bonds can part, and the two separate halves can combine only with a very specific type of molecule - in fact, one identical to the other half - to reform the bonds and the spiral structure. So, the original molecule becomes two, using half of

itself as a template, and it is 'self-replicating.'

If this substance is the basis of life on this planet, we have to ask the question, 'Could such a complex molecule arise by simple chemical processes?' The answer, so far as modern chemical and biological research can tell us is almost certainly 'Yes.'

Throughout history, there have been many ideas on the origin of life, ranging from acceptance of the book of Genesis, to the "Life" theory of Preyer in the last century. The ancient Greeks were the first to give the problem serious consideration, and, in general, they regarded life as an inalienable property of matter. Later, Anaxagorus was the first to propose the "panspermic" doctrine.

Later in the Middle Ages, this same 'panspermic' doctrine of Anaxagorus was taken up again by the chemist Svente Arrhenius. He believed that life took so long to develop that there would not have been enough time for all the necessary chemical reactions to have occurred on Earth. He suggested that life had therefore been brought to Earth from another, but unspecified, planet. He envisaged 'spores' of a diameter of 0.0002-0.00015 mm, which could rapidly be expelled from the sun, under radiation pressure, which might take about 9,000 years to reach the nearest of the stars.

If these spores became attached to dust particles an order of magnitude larger in size, they would be pulled in by gravitational pressure. Spores, however, although they might survive the intense cold and vacuum of space, seem unlikely to survive the ultra violet radiation which they would surely be subjected to (not to mention radiation of higher energies), so that, although this idea is certainly interesting, it cannot have much support within the confines of modern scientific knowledge.

But the main viewpoint, held until the time of Pasteur, was that of spontaneous generation. It was believed that many of the smaller animals, and even man himself (in the beginning) originated spontaneously from dirt, humus or even sea-water. A Brussels physician, van Helmont, recorded a recipe for producing mice from wheat kernels and dirty shirts - try keeping these in a dry place for several weeks - and the experiment is almost certain to work!

When Pasteur proved the existence of micro-organisms, the idea that spontaneous generations was occurring continually was discarded yet, today we believe that 'spontaneous generation' did occur in the production of life, probably in the primeval oceans of our planet.

So, the formation of life first involved the synthesis of hydrocarbons inorganically. This can happen today, and the processes which produce acetylenes and paraffin hydrocarbons are well-known.

The second step, requiring more specific conditions, is the conversion of these H-C compounds into more complex substances. This could have occurred, when the free hydrogen in the Earth's atmosphere was lost into space and the ultra-violet rays from the sun caused the oxidation of the simple hydrocarbon compounds and the ammoniacal compounds that existed in the Earth's atmosphere. Experiments have been carried out with ultra-violet light and mixtures of simple hydrocarbons, and the products have been the complex amino acids that are the basis of life.

It is generally supposed that these complex substances passed into the Earth's oceans; that they then separated into multi-molecular protein complexes that were separated from the nutrient solution - these "systems" are known as coacervate drops. Some of these drops will be stable, will grow and divide to retain their stability. The less well organised ones will disintegrate and disappear. From these beginnings, life grew.

The first organisms, directly descended from the first coacervate drops, had to be capable of feeding on the ready-made organic compounds in the nutrient broth around them. These compounds had been produced biogenically, but, as life developed, this source of food-stuffs became depleted so adaptation of the living organisms was necessary, so that they could produce their own food. A majority developed photosynthesis, which, as it is a series of complex reactions, could only have arisen when life was quite highly organised. Free oxygen was produced as a result, and animals, now defined as those organisms which ate the biogenically-produced hydrocarbons, and did not manufacture their own, passed to direct oxygen respiration. (I should perhaps point out that the use of the word "feeding" in this paragraph means simply using the organic compound to produce energy and matter to continue the existence of the living organism.)

So, life arose as a result of complex chemical reactions, over a long period of time, about 2.5 aeons, and, given the same conditions on any other planet, it is almost inevitable that life, as we know it, will have developed. (to be continued)

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A LESSON TO LEARN - By Ken Rogers.

Nothing of a positive nature will ever be added to UFO research if one is limited only to the study of sightings and photographs which are more or less authentic, and to the analysis of those cases of persons who have had (as they say) the privilege of talking with extra-terrestrials..... then NOTHING conclusive will ever be attained by anyone following these paths.

However one must not be led to believe that the union of various aspects, so different each from the other, in order to form an idea of the whole subject, that is, in its entirety, is going to be easy; let us not forget that the majority of "researchers" are limited only to the study of their own chosen material, leaving to one side all that which does not fall within their own range of subject matter.

The causes of this absurd situation are our own pride and our wilfully one-sided attitudes, which prevent us from admitting that the 'adversary' may also be right, even when, within ourselves, we feel that we may be mistaken.

It is not impossible to remedy this state of things. We feel that it is necessary to form this union in research, in the interests of everyone.

More than once, it has been demonstrated that, in order to arrive at any truth whatever it may be, it is not sufficient to base one's reasoning on only one aspect, but, often the solution of a problem is obtained from the fusion of various concepts which at first sight appear to be in discord with each other.

The entire world has a clear example of this in oriental and Western civilisation. The first are spiritually evolved, the second, technologically..

But, as everyone has been able to observe in recent years, the union of these two groups has been notably strengthened, with great advantages for both. And it is certain that when this synthesis is truly obtained, humanity will have made one more step forward in its unceasing evolution.

Let us take the example, and attempt this "fusion" between the various sciences. We have opened the door, who will come to visit us?

If we could only forget our disagreements and personal ambitions and unite for the common cause we should save much time and spend less energy in finding a solution to the greatest enigma humanity has faced.

Many have made the mistake of studying "flying saucers" only, leaving all other material to one side, but it is still not too late to remedy this state of affairs.

New and qualified students and researchers, who are in accord with our ideas, are now uniting with us and their collaboration will be of immense help.

We must not forget that our primary aims are these: Attempt to unveil the mystery behind UFOs, and, still more important, to "prepare" people for the day in which they will make open contact with us.

There are many more people today who are willing to accept this fact than there were some years ago - but there are still not enough.

We do not wish to appear pessimistic, but if the UFOs were to land openly, at this moment, few people would remain unscathed from the psychological trauma which would result from such an occurrence. And we are almost certain that this is the reason why the Space People maintain our curiosity by their continual flights above our cities, but do not make contact with us.

Reflecting the words of our National Chairman; "It is we who are aware of the existence of the space ships and the new avenues presented to us. can become a bridge between the space people and our planet."

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SCIENCE AND THE U.F.O.

By Colin McCarthy.

At long last, the UFO has become respectable, and is now the subject of serious scientific research. The transition from music hall joke, to serious study, has taken over 20 years. For two decades, the subject has annoyed Governments, produced Messianic cults and end of the world predictions, given many unscrupulous people fortunes, and generally raised havoc and speculation amongst the Earth's millions.

After sifting through thousands of reports, eliminating the obvious hoaxes, and disregarding natural and man-made phenomena; just how much do we know about the subject? Let us now examine the physical aspects of the average U.F.O.

Firstly, in order of size, we have the large cigar shaped craft, which are usually devoid of wings or protusions, and can reach over 1,000 ft in length. Occasionally, a very large craft has been reported. An American tracking network reported sighting the "Daddy" of them all. It was simultaneously tracked on radar, and was approximately three miles long, and travelling at 18,000 mph.

Secondly, the most commonly seen U.F.O. is the celebrated "flying saucer"; a circular disc-shaped object, which averages 30 to 50 feet in diameter. These craft are usually carried in the giant mother ships, discussed above.

Lastly, and perhaps, most interesting of all, are the small, remotely-controlled discs, which are unmanned, and average one to two feet in diameter. These have full sensory perception of the whole electromagnetic and visual spectrum. On a command from a scout or mother craft, the observation disc will send full stereo, colour TV and audio pictures, plus information on atmospheric temperature, pressure, humidity etc. Apart from physical information, the disc can also radio back amplified thought patterns of persons within range, and also colour readings on the aura.

Very rarely do mother ships enter the Earth's atmosphere, as the secondary magnetic effects from the force field, can cause extreme ionization of the air and disrupt radio communication over a large area. The high flux fields might also create temporary stable plasmas, which could float to Earth as potentially dangerous fire balls.

The circular scout craft, on the other hand, are relatively safe, because their mild force fields, are incapable of generating danger-out plasmas. However, the scout's magnetic field is still quite strong, and may create ionised fields intense enough to disturb radio and TV reception. Of course, the fields from the observation discs are quite negligible and it is possible for them to fly quite close to people and installations without betraying their presence.

A few years ago, at the Australian Antarctic Base, the ground radar picked up an identified stationary blip at a range of 50 miles. Scientists went outside to try, with the aid of binoculars, for a visual contact. Fortunately, it was a fine summer day and the visibility was unlimited. After scanning the horizon for a few seconds the observers found the U.F.O. Later triangulation put the craft, positively, at a range of 50 miles and a length of over 600 feet. To all intents and purposes, it was classically cigar-shaped, and probably a mother ship. As the scientists watched, they noticed that every few seconds, a burst of colour from highly excited ionised air, shone brilliantly around the craft. As this colour built up, the proton precision magnetometers, in the research station were flung off scale, showing the presence of a very large, pulsing magnetic field.

By desensitising their instruments, they found, to their amazement that the field strength near the U.F.O. was over 1,000,000 gauss. Only in a large cyclotron, and even then, across a very small gap, can our scientists sustain such a large field. To have a magnetic flux density of these fantastic proportions, radiating from a craft 600 feet long, was literally "out of this world." And this was the only explanation the scientists could give to explain the sighting. Nothing manufactured on this planet could have produced such improbable readings on their instruments.

Perhaps the mother ship came down low to give the research station a free show knowing that, in the frozen wastes of the Antarctic no damage to life or property would result.

Many U.F.O.s have been tracked on radar, or seen, moving at speeds of 20,000 mph or more, within our atmosphere. Not only have they been travelling in close formation at this speed, but, have executed right angle turns and then stopping dead in a fraction of a second, and reversing direction, have quickly accelerated back to 2,000 mph plus.

+ See too Lord Dandings article in Cosmic Contact - p. 4/5

When an earth-made capsule re-enters the atmosphere, it must have very efficient heat shields, lest it burn up with friction. Even in the upper atmosphere at re-entry speeds of around 18,000 mph the temperature on the space capsule's "skin" can reach over 1,000° C. Imagine, the heat produced in the lower denser atmosphere, of a capsule travelling at about 30,000 mph. No craft made on Earth, could survive the terrific heat produced.

By whirling astronauts and pilots around in a centrifuge, doctors have discovered that the human body can only survive forces of about 15 times the force of gravity, for a short period, and up to 30 "Gs" in very short bursts. The G forces produced in a craft doing 20,000 mph and then suddenly executing a rightangled turn, defy our imagination. Any human on board would be instantly crushed to pulp.

How, then, do the occupants of U.F.O.s manage to protect themselves against heat, from friction and very large "G" forces?

The answer is very simple. They don't have to.

In a normal jet plane, the engine supplies thrust by sucking in air, heating it, and then forcing this super-heated air at great speed from the rear of the engine. This terrific expulsion of air moving backwards produces an equal and opposite thrust, and the plane is propelled forward. However, this thrusting force acts only on the inside of the jet engine. The rest of the aircraft is subject to inertia. We all know what happens if we are standing in a bus and the driver suddenly accelerates.

Our feet (being attached to the floor) move forward, but, our bodies are at rest relative to the Earth, so, we fall backwards. This thrust is the "G" force I have been discussing. Of course, in a bus it is very small, but in a jet aircraft doing a rapid turn it can be many times the force of gravity.

In a U.F.O. the driving energy acts on every atom simultaneously. Thus, if the pilot turns left, the craft turns with no "G" force, because every atom is being turned at the same instant. The same principle applies in an up and down, or, in fact, in any direction.

This accounts for the zero "G" effect, but what about the extreme heat due to friction?

The anti-gravity thrust not only acts on all atoms in the craft, but also in the air surrounding it. In fact, the layer of

air in immediate contact with the U.F.O.'s surface, is accelerated at the same rate as the craft. The next layer is accelerated at a slightly slower rate, and so on, until, some distance from the craft, the force field is so diminished, that the air is practically at rest. So, the resultant frictional ratio of surface to air is very small, and dangerous heating is avoided.

Another peculiarity of the U.F.O. is its ability to instantaneously disappear, not only from sight, but also from the radar screens.

Invisibility may be created by changing the phase of its force field, so that light and radar waves will be refracted or bent around the outer hull. Of course, this explanation is merely speculation. Maybe, by changing their basic frequency rate, they translate to another space time continuum, and disappear from our Universe quite literally.

Serious investigators are rapidly coming to the conclusion, that a physical explanation of the UFOs is entirely inadequate.

Unless a major spiritual awakening takes place in mankind, the greatest enigma of our age will remain insoluble.

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THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER

By Peter Coleman.

Part One: The Position.

When man is faced with an entirely new concept his immediate reaction is to recoil from it with horror at its possible implications towards his own orderly existence. So it seems that the so-called 'invasion from Outer Space' is more in the nature of an invasion of Man's 'Inner Space' - i.e. his mind along with its logistic ideas, indoctrinated since birth. The UFO phenomena has been described as the greatest mystery of all time, but the enigmatic nature of extra-terrestrial craft in our atmosphere could be quickly eradicated by a few bold steps in the right direction. By pursuing a course of simple logical steps it is hoped that we will, at least, come a little closer to the truth of the matter. ↑

Flying Saucers have seen fit to make visits to our planet in great numbers during a most important point in the history of Mankind. We, the human race, are rapidly approaching a crossroads to our future advancement. This crossroads is being caused by many factors including tremendous advances in science which have a direct bearing upon our lives; by the ever growing explosive political scene, with Communist China rapidly expanding in her military strength and now, it seems, almost ready to fulfill age old predictions about her disquieting (to say the least!) influence upon world affairs. Explosions of population and thought also go towards bringing about a climax which will come in the form of a crossroads of decision which Man will have to make.

This crossroads in human advancement can be clearly seen by those who are willing to raise their heads above the general masses and look ahead. The two main routes will be clearly sign-posted for Man when he arrives at the junction - survival or death. There will be other roads which he can follow.

There is the road called survival but misery; the road survival and happiness. There is the road which is called total destruction and many more. But when the decisions have to be made, Man, and Man alone will have to make them.

It is my contention that the appearance of extra-terrestrial craft in our atmosphere can be directly linked to the precarious position of Mankind at the present moment.

UFOs have been observed examining our military strength and they have shown great interest in our space efforts, in short, they have carefully felt the pulse of this world as it enters a most difficult phase of its progress. What their action will be, following this intensive investigation period it is difficult to say, but it seems quite likely that following twenty years or so of extensive surveillance the intelligences behind the UFOs are now awaiting for something to happen before putting into action a new phase of operations.

Can we now link our various conclusions with justification? Yes, the fact that we are rapidly approaching a crossroads in our progress can be directly linked to the apparent holding back of the people behind the UFOs. I believe that until Man has changed somewhat he will continue to find UFOs elusive and enigmatic.

The situation, as described above, has been deliberately over-simplified and a number of objections can be quickly raised. However, I hope to develop the theory throughout this series and give a better picture of what I believe is a part of the truth of this perplexing matter. In part 2 I will be dealing with perhaps the most puzzling and at the same time the most disturbing aspect of UF O research - the so-called "evil influences."

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Part Two: The Infernal Triangle.

UNDOUBTEDLY NOT A LIGHT

By Captain H.F. Kirkwood - retired Airline Pilot.

Although this sighting occurred some years ago it is still vivid in my memory. At the time I was employed as an Airline pilot and one evening in early December 1953 I was operating the evening Belfast-London service, via the recognised airway, with reporting points at Portaferry, N. Ireland, Isle of Man and Liverpool. The weather forecast gave complete cloud cover, 8/8ths at about 11,000 ft with good visibility below and a strong s/w wind. We flight planned and received clearance to operate the service at 7,500!

Take off and climb, on course to Portaferry, were normal, the met forecast proving accurate, so that on reaching Portaferry and altering course for I.O.M. now level at 7,500, we were well below cloud. It was a very dark evening, no stars whatever being visible through the unbroken overcast, but the visibility below was very good indeed so that the soft glow of the town of Douglas, I.O.M. could be seen from the Irish coast.

It was at this point, Portaferry, that I first noticed a light in the sky dead ahead, which was at first thought to be the occulting navigation light of another aircraft. However on inquiry via R/T we were assured by Airway Control that there was no other traffic on the airway at that time, at any height. It was then realised that the light was not occulting but irregularly changing its brilliance and colour.

By this time both the First Officer and the radio officer had joined me in watching this light, which seemed to be somewhere on the airway dead ahead and at about the same height as ourselves. To ensure that it could not be any form of reflection in the wind-screen I had all the cockpit lights extinguished, so that the cockpit was in total darkness, but the light ahead remained, irregularly changing from a deep purplish red to yellow. On reaching the I.O.M. reporting point we again asked control if the airway ahead was clear and were reassured that we were the only traffic at that time.

During the twenty minutes or more that we had this mystery object under observation it did not change its position, remaining virtually dead ahead of us. I discussed this with the Flight crew and we were unanimous that the object could not be a balloon of

any sort, since the strong wind would have blown it at least 10 miles N-E in this time, nor was it a reflection on the cloud cover, which was well above us. At no time was I able to distinguish a shape of any sort behind the light, which steadily increased in average brilliance as we approached, still changing colour irregularly, and by now being five or six times as bright as any star I have ever seen, and brighter and "Bigger" than any aircraft's navigation lights.

Airway control reported something unusual and unidentifiable on their search radar screen at about the observed position of this light. It was thought that it could have been some sort of interference.

We appeared to be on a collision course with this object, so, passenger safety being of paramount importance I was about to alter course when the light suddenly rose straight up perhaps a hundred feet above us, and then accelerated away to the S-W at incredible speed so that it was gone in a second or two, and as this sudden movement took place the glow changed to a deep vivid green. A few seconds later, as I judged we were flying through the airspace occupied by the light, both engines lost power momentarily as though the hot air supply to the carburettors had suddenly been switched on, resuming their regular rhythm almost immediately. Nothing further was seen, but on reporting this incident to Civil Aviation Ministry I was assured that the object must have been a WEATHER BALLOON.

Although I had heard of many sightings of UFOs by my airline colleagues, I had been very sceptical, up until the time of this personal experience.

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THE RISE AND FALL OF U.F.O. SOCIETIES.

By Desmond Leslie.

Can you not see what is happening? Why so many UFO societies and groups have come into being with a boundless initial enthusiasm, only to form rival factions and schisms within their ranks, (as did the early Church) and to fall by the wayside?

If you could remember and list all the sincere groups of researchers since 1947 it would fill several pages! Where are they now? Who remains? Very few.

But the 'grown-ups' the elder brethren, the space people, are patient. They try, try, try again.

Why should groups dedicated to spreading a little light and truth on this sick old planet have a high casualty rate than, say, engine spotters, stamp collectors or steam traction engine preservation societies?

The answer is obvious. The above groups don't matter much. They are for fun and recreation. But a group such as ours is a direct challenge to the negative forces, whose only hope of survival is to maintain the human race in fear and ignorance.

There are spiritual groups, of course, who have maintained near perfect harmony and brotherly love since their inception. One that comes most readily to mind is the White Eagle Lodge at 9 St. Mary Abbotts Place, Kensington, W.8. Thirty years ago they first received information as to the impending coming of the Space People. They have never swerved from the light, nor from the guidance given them. When you enter their Lodge you are at once struck by the overwhelming spirit of kindness, sympathy and help. There are no 'egos' there; no great "I AMs". Only a modest loving "WE", a group, all working together with one aim in view - to spread light and love and to broadcast it to the world. Not one of its members ever takes credit for any of the healing 'miracles' that have taken place within its sanctified walls. Indeed, to receive any kind of praise or self-glory would accutely embarrass and distress any member.

Let this then be a model for CONTACT.

Contact has been formed (a group formed for the umpteenth time) by the 'grown-ups' to be tested and trained to the degree of mental and spiritual normality, common sense and balance necessary if a

group-contact is to be made experimentally by our space friends.

What is the immediate reaction of the cosmic cosh-boys, the ignorant nits who think they own and run this world? Don't under-estimate their intelligence. Lucifer was superbly intelligent. And their intelligence system flashes a warning light: "Scrub out this group quickly in case it flowers and succeeds."

How to do this? - Simple! Find the weak points. Probe the chinks in their armour. What is the biggest chink in all our armour? It is human weakness and our boundless self-love, from which none of us are immune.

How then to combat what we know is our weakness? By KNOWING IT. By admitting it. By saying "O.K., we're a lot of simple ordinary folk prey to all the usual emotional and irrational behaviour of ordinary folk." But by recognising this fact, and by having a good laugh at ourselves, we have provided ourselves with a tremendous line of defence.

The city that falls, usually falls because of some unknown weak point in its walls. But if we know and admit, in advance, our weak point, we can be happily on our guard; and as the assaults come we can say: "Silly old darkness, go take a running jump. Get lost!"

See now, how their spearheads have begun to infiltrate. They have set up jealousies and rumours and tale bearing. They are trying to foster scandals, one member against the other. Bless their silly old hearts. This should give us immense assurance that CONTACT means much more than we ever expected it to mean. For if it wasn't important, we would have been left alone.

They are paying a great compliment to us. They foresee what will happen if we succeed and they are afraid of us. Now what do all tyrannies and darknesses hate most? LAUGHTER. Laughter at a totalitarian regime is the most feared and hated of all crimes, for it cuts the regime down to size; shows up the little arrogant tinpot sham it is. So let us all laugh at their attempts and when the tale bearers and Jagos go creeping around vomiting their poison laugh at them. We hear no evil, see no evil, speak no evil.

In our case, this old adage is no ostrich policy. It is plain common sense. Let us speak only kindly and tolerantly of one another. We are just not interested in rumours and scandal. Leave them to young souls who don't know any better.

CONTACT is being subjected to attack because it is not wanted by the forces of reaction. O.K. Recognise the attack, shrug it off with a prayer for the well-being of those who utter slander. SEND BACK THE EVIL TO ITS SOURCE. Jesus knew what He was talking about when he said: "Love your enemies, do good to them that hurt you." By so doing you turn their efforts into a terrible boomerang that bounces back seven times seventy seven times more powerful than when it was released against you.

CONTACT is now undergoing its Initiation. It is being tested. It is being tested in the usual, age-old way, by stirring up the little egos and working on the emotions.

CONTACT has been formed to provide a reception committee of sufficient sanity and balance to be able to receive the space people (as were other groups in the past).

Let every single member now unite in the Light. Let him daily visualise the Cosmic Christ working in our hearts and bathing us in its golden light. "Open your eyes" said the Lord Buddha "and see the glory that lies all around you".

The Master of the White Eagle Lodge explained the essential weakness of the dark ones. He said "A Single Positive Loving thought can counteract and destroy ten thousand negative thoughts".

Think on that, my friends. Think how much more powerful Light is than darkness. A single candle can illumine a whole dark cave. A single loving thought can illumine the dark cave of the lower self, the little boring, desperately unimportant ego.

If any member seems to outshine any other, let us all rejoice. Not praise him, nor envy him. Just rejoice that THEY have been able to find a chink in our mental darkness and project a little ray of light.

Sometimes even a broken reed can play the right tune.

Think of the modesty of the Master Jesus, who was accutely embarrassed when they called him good Master. "Why do you call me good? Only God is Good!" he almost snapped back, at the thought that anyone could attribute anything worth while to the mere man.

There was once a donkey riden into a city and all the people shouted "Hosanna", and strew palms beneath its feet. The donkey swelled with pride and thought, what a marvellous donkey I am. Look how the people honour me. Silly ass! He had forgotten the Rider.

Let us never forget WHO is the rider, and if we ever produce a bit of sense, or something remotely approaching goodness, let us fall on our knees with gratitude that the donkey -- the little man -- should have been so honoured and used by the greater THEY.

So enough of this dissention. We have serious work to do. Let's get on with it.

CONTACT LONDON LECTURE.

Members and friends are invited to a lecture by two distinguished speakers at the Caxton Hall on Saturday March, 30th, 1968 at 7.30 p.m. Admission 3/-d.

Nearest tube St. James's Park.
This is yet another opportunity that you cannot afford to miss.

U.F.Os OVER NORTHERN IRELAND.

Report from our Northern Ireland investigators.

ROY WHITE and TREVOR LUNDY, Portadown, Co. Armagh.

20.20 26.1.1968 Report as received.

During 1967, and the first few weeks of this year, there have been many reports of strange objects seen in this isolated area. Some of the reports have come from men on duck shoots in the early mornings. They have seen ball shaped objects glowing deep red-orange hovering over the bog-lands, particularly during the early part of 1967.

Late 1967, especially from November onwards, Trevor Lundy has reported seeing strange cone-shaped objects in the area. Some of these objects were seen two at a time, and he also saw them take off. As I (Roy White) am in contact with the Royal Air Force at Ballykelly, I asked them what these objects could have been - and they confirmed that there had been no aircraft in the area.

As these sightings have been seriously increasing in number we decided to keep watch. The times covered by our watches have included weekend and nightly visits to the areas.

I (Roy White) seriously believe that these objects are due to visitors from another world and I believe that, in the near future, I shall be meeting them in this area face to face.

On Friday, 26th, I and Trevor Lundy were startled when we saw an object rise above the trees on the opposite side of the river Bann. The object was a quarter of a mile from us and coming in our direction about twenty feet above the ground, with four spotlights which were switched on, below the object. It was about 35 feet in diameter and, when the object was half way towards us, it climbed into the night sky at an angle of 180°. The colour changed from orange-green-yellow and then became invisible to us.

Ten minutes later Trevor Lundy's radio went dead which surprised him as the set was new. We both remarked that the whole thing was a bit unnatural, and we had the feeling that we were being observed at that moment. We heard at the same time a lot of strange voices talking in a strange manner above us. The point is we saw nobody else and we could not explain where the noises

were coming from.

We then walked further on from this spot, and about a quarter of a mile in front of us we saw three coloured flashes move across the sky in a straight line, about 350 feet above the ground.

All these strange experiences happened within half an hour and after them we decided to set out for home.

I honestly believe that, if we had gone further into the bog-lands, we would have seen something out of this world.

(N.B. A detailed sketch of the area is available - Ed.)

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SUNDRY PLANETARY DATA.

MERCURY - NOT VISIBLE until after Superior Conjunction, April 24th.

VENUS - NOT VISIBLE.

MARS - NOT VISIBLE.

JUPITER - The brightest planetary object in the sky at this time, and is visible most of the night. Is in Leo, close to Regulus.

AN ECLIPSE A total eclipse of the MOON will take place 13.4.68.
This will be visible in Britain.

UMBRAL phase begins 3.10 am. Ends 6.25 am.

TOTAL PHASE BEGINS 4.23 am Ends 5.12 am.

MID-ECLIPSE 4.47 am.

- ALLEN WEBB.

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U.F.O. SKIMS BESIDE PLANE.

This month we are featuring two incidents which have involved airliners. These well-authenticated reports - one directly from the pen of an airline pilot, and the other, which was first reported in "Enquirer" are important, if only for the concrete evidence they undoubtedly supply, as to the physical existence of UFOs and the effects they have.

Fifty-two passengers, and six experienced air crew had a frightening, yet tremendously important experience, as they flew over Chiclayo, Peru in a D.C.4, at an altitude of 7,000 feet. Destined for Lima Airport, and carrying experienced personnel such as pilot Oswaldo Sanvitti, a flying veteran with 22,000 hours flying to his credit), all the reports tally, for the duration of the hour-long U.F.O. sighting.

The pilot first drew the passengers' attention to the UFO, as it skimmed along beside the 'plane - dimming the lights, and cutting the aircraft's radio - and which Sanvitti estimated as measuring 230 feet in diameter at the top. After an hour of controlled, but seemingly wild, manoeuvring about the flying aircraft, the UFO suddenly disappeared from sight, the 'plane lights came up to full brightness, and the radio cleared.

Sanvitti was just about to contact Lima airport, when the UFO zoomed back in again - this time accompanied by another craft. Again, the lights dimmed, and the radio was put out of action. The two craft moved at a fixed distance, with the 'plane for a short time, and then disappeared from view, with an almost incredible burst of acceleration.

Shortly after this experience, the aircraft landed at Lima, and the passengers compared notes. They all agreed as to what they had seen, and the other details tallied. Captain Sanvitti had not believed in UFOs until this experience - one which would be enough to shatter the most ardent disbeliever!

Please Note:- Sighting reports requiring investigation should be sent to the research officer Brian Gill, 33 Grovewood Avenue, Eastwood, Leigh on Sea, Essex. Members wishing to investigate local reports in their area should also contact the above address.

POS
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By Rev Frederick Harrison, Vicar of Oakworth.

Reliable observers supply enough evidence for the existence of UFO's, and to justify the presumption that they cannot be of earthly origin. Some information has been put forward concerning the controlling agents, but hardly enough to enable even the most general of deductions to be made.

Nevertheless, a single authenticated UFO postulates the presence of intelligence in space, probably outside the limits of the solar system. We have to shake ourselves free from the cloying notion that Earth is the only home for intelligent beings, ourselves being the sole example of the species.

Any connection between Religion and UFOs has to be incidental.

God is God of the Universe. Beings other than men, wherever domiciled, are people such as we are children of the same Father. Obviously, they are further advanced wiser, more experienced, and therefore more loyal to their Creator. They will have overcome sin... perhaps they never fall for it. It could be that Earth alone needed saving. The Creator would not tolerate any imperfection in His Universe even on such an insignificant speck of cosmic dust as this. We needn't wonder that He should reach out and touch the trouble spot.... sending a Saviour to enter in and do the cleansing. But he wouldn't need a Flying Saucer to get him there!

Christianity teaches the process of saving will not be complete until the Lord's return. This will take place when the Father decides, but at the point in time when the world needs Him most. Enthusiasts injure their own cause by suggesting a somewhat undignified 'second coming' by 'Flying Saucer.'

UFO visitations may well assist God's plan for human good. Their occupants could be like missionaries, doing His work. But they are not Gods in their own right.

Flying Saucers in the Bible.

If Biblical evidence is admitted, the temptation to over-emphasise and exaggerate must be firmly resisted. These incidents are of interest:

(a) Genesis 5.24. The chapter contains brief biographies of

the patriarchs, each ending with the phrase 'And he Died.' There is a single exception: "Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him." It is not necessary to suppose Enoch to be historic. The significance lies in the writer's witness to the more ancient belief that a 'good man' might be taken away by means other than death.

(b) II Kings. 2.11. Elijah, another 'good man', is taken to heaven in a 'fiery chariot' which departs in a whirlwind. Elisha witnessed. This may be a more detailed account of an event similar to the first. It isn't inconsistent with 'Transit by UFO'.... but the Bible ought not to be quoted as establishing such a thing.

Wilder theories have the Ascension accomplished by UFO, and a similar vehicle standing by to escort Stephen from the scene of his martyrdom. The account of the vision is in Acts 7, 55. These only twist evidence and accomplish little beyond bringing 'Contact' into disrepute.

Effects of nuclear fission.

The intelligences directing UFO have every reason to be concerned by the irresponsible use to which men have put nuclear fission. There may be effects reaching far outside the earth's immediate environment. They might, conceivably, reach the 'spirit world.'

Before we can fully evaluate the motives behind UFO visitations, we need to take into account that much neglected topic ... life after death. It is reasonably certain our visitors will have no doubt on the subject.. one way or the other. Our knowledge is small. Moreover, there is a deplorable tendency to ridicule and despise all sources of information whether by way of psychic research or even UFO. Religion, of course, gives positive teaching about the facts of life after death, but needs to clear away an awful lot of dross.

It is a fair conclusion that wiser people than ourselves are intending to make contact at such time they judge proper. Until such a belief is proved utterly wrong, the religious reaction can hardly be other than they do so in accordance with God's Will, He being their Father as well as ours.

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FLYING SAUCERS - THE ORIGIN OF MANKIND?

By Richard Garton.

The UFO phenomena is open to wide speculation and it is interesting to pursue certain lines of thought whilst bearing in mind the dangers of becoming too dogmatic and thereby shutting out other, equally possible, theories. In this short article speculation revolves around the connection between UFOs and the origin of Mankind.

Could it be that aeons ago many of us were evicted from our mother planets because we were not satisfied with life there and would not obey the universal laws? And, as we were a minority, our brothers decided to 'ship us' all to one planet where we could live as we wished without disturbing our fellow men who were happy with things as they were. At that particular time Earth's atmospheric conditions were suitable for human habitation.

Under these new circumstances we lived, for some considerable period, a conflicting existence; but after a time the earth's protective belt which supports the axis at right angles to the elliptic was disrupted by natural changes tipping the earth into its present state and causing catastrophes, changes in climate and the floods. This 'tipping' process (which scientists have measured as fact) made earth temporarily unsuitable for human habitation.

That our space brothers knew of this beforehand but as there were so many 'wrong thinking' people on earth, it would not have been wise to ship them all back to their mother planets. But they did warn us however and some prepared for the inevitable change. We can use the example of Noah and the great flood. Those who took heed of the warning were saved.

Years passed and our space brothers could see that we were not altering our ways. When a plan was devised souls were incarnated into physical earth bodies in an attempt to revive the laws of the universe to us - Jesus Christ, Buddha etc.

We are now in the year 1968 and have reached the stage whereby harnessing certain energies we are capable of destroying our planet and every living thing upon it.

Earth's population has almost reached a peak, but never before have there been so many 'good thinking' people on earth. True, the wrongdoers are still with us but they are a dying breed and are dwindling in numbers and soon a great change will take place. I believe that it will be those people with the attitude which exists in 'Contact' who will help provide the way.

We read in Mathew 24 that there will be wars and rumours of wars and that nation will rise against nation. There will be a tense period of waiting and then the end. The end yes, but not of the world. The end of this cycle and of 'All WARS.'

"Yet so shall it be; these fruitless strifes, these ruinous wars shall pass away, and the most Great Peace shall come," - Baha'u'llah.

RUSSIA CALLS FOR WORLD STUDY OF UFO's.

Unidentified flying objects are now so firmly established as a problem that an international effort is needed to solve it, says Assistant Professor Felix Zigel of the Moscow Institute of Aviation. Last year a committee of scientists and other specialists was formed to make a systematic study of reports.

They have only some 200 "sightings" reported, but a preliminary analysis of them indicates that there is something needing thorough investigation. On July 18, Sept. 4, Oct. 18 and other days of 1967, crescent-shaped UFOs were seen over southern parts of the Soviet Union, according to reports from the Mountain Astronomical Station near Kislovodsk, from the astronomical observatory in Kazan, and from several private individuals.

The most characteristic type of UFO is a luminous orange-coloured crescent with a diameter of 15 to 20 ft. of arc (about a quarter of a degree) flying with its outward bend first. The horns of the crescent throw out jets, sometimes with sparks. The outer contour of the crescent is sharp and the inner contour, blurred and wavy. Sometimes a bright flaming disc, preceded by a crescent is observed, and sometimes the crescent is preceded and flanked by what look like first-magnitude stars, which keep at a constant distance from it.

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WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE BETWEEN LEYS & ORTHOTENY?

By Ken Rogers

I suggest that many of the ley points are 'beacons' strategically placed by Sky People, maybe thousands of years ago as a guide to visiting craft, much the same way as we use landing lights for aircraft.

The primitive people living on this planet in those times, sometimes buried their dead over these beacons 'from the sky' associating them with something celestial.

There are 'beacons' besides the Lines of Nazca and other similar immense patterns to be viewed from the air. It is said that in Ancient times the Sky People placed a driver-mechanism or 'beacon point' in various places close to the surface of the Earth.

The 'beacon points' were probably for automatic triangulation in navigation. These mechanisms may still be under the ground and appear to be surrounded by a magnetic field which may affect certain modern electronic instruments, etc.

It appears that some of these beacons are in use today. For instance several researchers have theorised that the reason for the appearance of these craft in the Warminster area is due to a buried 'homing device.' These theories seem quite logical when taking into consideration the 14 ley-point centre South of the town.

George Hunt Williamson in his book 'Road in the Sky' tells of the following interesting case: TV Channels 10 and 12 (625 lines) were having great difficulty with interference several years ago in their equipment on top of South Mountain near Phoenix, Arizona. Channel 12 was having the most difficulty. A new channel began to set up its equipment directly on top of the same mountain.

At that moment the UFO intelligence went into action and removed the driver-mechanism or 'beacon' buried a few feet underground that had been giving all the trouble.

"Before the mechanism was removed from the mountain there were many sightings of 'glowing lights' and 'strange objects' hovering over South Mountain and the reports filled the Phoenix and other Arizona newspapers."

The vortex created by that little disc-shaped mechanism caused all kinds of things to happen to the TV-radio equipment. When three TV stations tried to share the same mountain the UFO intelligences decided that it was time to remove their centuries old navigation aid or 'beacon point.'

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Kazan astronomers, who carried out their observations from two points simultaneously, set the diameter of the crescent-shaped UFOs at 500-600 metres and their speed at some five kilometres a second. Assuming that the crescent is a luminous shock wave, the UFOs must fly at altitudes between 30 and 65 miles. Such objects could not have been made by man. They are definitely not sputniks or space rockets.

On July 26, 1965 astronomers Robert Vitolniek, Jan Melderis and Esmeralda Vitolniek were studying silvery clouds from the observation station of Ogra in Latvia. At 9.35pm in the gathering dusk, they spotted an unusually bright star slowly flying west. Viewed through X8 binoculars, the star appeared as a small ball in the centre of the lens-shaped disc. The astronomers set the disc diameter at about 100 metres. Around the disc, at a distance of two diameters, there were three balls similar to the one in the centre of the disc.

The balls slowly rotated around the disc and the whole system dwindled as it receded from the earth. Some 15-20 minutes later, the balls began to depart from the disc in different directions. The ball in the centre also left its place and flew aside. Finally at 10pm all these bodies, which emitted a greenish-pearly glow, faded into the distance.

The crew of an IL-18 airliner (Commander Petrov) had a similar experience in daytime at an altitude of 25,000 ft near Tiksi Bay.

"The material collected, to say nothing of the numerous reports from abroad, suggests that the UFO phenomenon is real and cannot be identified with any known natural phenomenon - with the anomalous optical phenomena in the earth's atmosphere for instance, claims Professor Zigel. "The main requirement at the present is to organise systematic instrumental study of UFOs from astronomical and meteorological observatories, to get good photographs and spectra of these objects."

The Mystery of the Green Children.

By Jimmy Goddard.

From the East Anglian magazine, in an issue published in the latter part of 1966, comes a very interesting story. It is in an article about the village of Woolpit:

"With no more precise date than that it was during King Stephen's reign, William of Newburgh sets down how during one harvest day, reapers saw a boy and girl 'completely green in their persons' emerge from the ancient excavations which gave the village its name.

"Months later, when the colour of normal human beings, and eating and drinking like them, they told a fairy-tale story; of a far-off St. Martin's land where there was perpetual twilight; of a 'considerable river' beyond which was brightness and daylight; of hearing church bells and then remembering no more until they were amongst the harvesters.

"Lodged in the house of Sir Richard de Calne at Wyke, they were eventually baptised. Alas, the little fellow, the younger of the two children, died shortly afterwards. His sister, however, eventually married a man in Lynne.

"Honest, thoughtful William ended his plain unembellished narrative with the resigned remark that everyone could think and say what they pleased but that he had no regret at having recorded the 'prodigious and miraculous' events.

"But if you look at the map they were not so remarkable after all.

"Eight miles west of Woolpit, and two north of Bury, within the sound of St. Edmund's bells is Fordham St. Martin and, close by, the River Lark.

"The real conundrum is not the children's odd green hue or their long silence, these two things probably came from days and days of wandering in the terrifying, twilight solitude of the forest - but why their parents never claimed them? Or had they been deliberately abandoned in the woods?"

This explanation could probably be accepted as being the correct one, if it were not for the amazingly similar story, but this time from Spain, which appeared in Dr. Daniel Fry's

Understanding magazine for August 1967:

"On an August afternoon in 1887, two children walked hand in hand from a cave in the cliffside near the Spanish village of Banjos and into a field where farm workers were reaping. It was nearly 80 years ago, but there are people alive who knew those who remembered the day.

"There has been exaggeration undoubtedly, distortion too, but the basic facts seem to be indisputable: The children who walked fearfully from the cave spoke a strange and incoherent language and their clothes were made of a substance never seen before. And their skins were green!

"It is a bizarre story, containing no logic, no explanation. Yet psychic researchers pinpoint it as perhaps the most valuable evidence they have of the existence of a fourth dimension - a world existing side by side with ours, a twilight world from which the children had in some way escaped.

"The theory is that they had fallen into a space vortex - like a man who falls through a hole in the ice and cannot rediscover his point of entry - had entered our third dimensional place from a fourth, and could not get back.

"Ridiculous? Possibly, but of all the theories put forward to account for the appearance of the green children, it is the only one which bears even a second glance.

"Soon after the phenomenon, a priest came from Barcelona to investigate. He saw the children and questioned witnesses. Later he wrote: "I was so overwhelmed by the weight of so many competent witnesses that I have been compelled to accept it as a matter I am unable to comprehend and unravel by the powers of intellect."

"The reapers were resting after lunch when the strange pair appeared in the entrance of a hillside cave. Unbelieving, the workers hurried towards them. Frightened, the pair began to run. The excited men chased after them. The strange beings, babbling unintelligibly, were seized and borne to the village. They were taken to the house of Ricardo Da Calno, magistrate and the village's chief landowner...

"Da Calno took the hand of the girl and rubbed it. The colour stayed fast. It was undoubtedly part of the pigment of the skin.

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"Food was placed in front of them, but they did not eat. They handled bread and fruit with a mixture of suspicion and wonder but would not put it near their mouths.

"The magistrate noted their features though regular, were slightly negroid, the eyes almond shaped and deep set.

"The children stayed in the house five days. They ate nothing and grew noticeably weaker. No food could be found which would tempt them. Then, one day, said a report, 'beans cut or torn from stalks were brought into the house and they fell on them with great avidity...and from then on would touch no other food.'

"But the fasting, it seems, had done serious harm to the boy. In spite of the beans he grew weaker and eventually died a month after being found. The girl, however, grew stronger and became a servant in Da Calno's house. Her green colour faded somewhat and she became less of a curiosity in the village.

"After a few months she had picked up a certain amount of Spanish and was able to give Da Calno some sort of explanation of her arrival.

"But, if anything, it only deepened the mystery. She said she came from a land where no sun rises and where it was always twilight, saying: 'Yet there is a land of light to be seen not far from us, but cut off by a stream of great width.'

"How had they arrived on earth? All she could say was: 'There was a great noise. We were caught up in the spirit and found ourselves in harvest field.' That was all she said and probably all she knew.

"She lived another five years before she too died and was buried beside her brother.

"A strange tale. Is it a garbled folk myth from the past, a hoax, a tall story gullibly passed down from one generation to the next?

"The documents are still in existence. The sworn statements of witnesses who testified to having spoken to, and touched, the beings who came hand-in-hand from a hole in the ground..."

These two accounts are almost identical, even though they occurred centuries apart in different countries. In both cases a boy and a girl, green in colour, came from a hole in the ground

into a field where harvesting was in progress. Also in each case they boy died shortly after being found, but the girl did not (in the English case he lived long enough to speak understandably, in the other he did not). Also in both cases the green colour wore off eventually, and the skin turned to the usual human colouring.

But it is the similarity in the stated "place of origin" which seems to be more interesting. It is a twilight world, but cut off from a land of light (which can be seen by a stream or river of great width. This seemed to remind me of the passage in the Bible about rich Lazarus, who saw Abraham afar off, but was told that between them there was "A great gulf fixed." Whether there is any real connection between this and the stories of the green children, I could not say.

The only point which seems to cast doubt on the stories is the similarity of the name of the person who befriended them in each case; one was Sir Richard de Calne, the other sounds like a Spanish equivalent, Ricardo da Calno. But each case seems to be well documented, which seems to show that both de Calne and da Calno actually existed. This is perhaps the greatest enigma of the whole story.

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'ROUND UP' of BRANCH ACTIVITIES.

The organisational picture of Contact U.K. has undergone a great change. Six months ago it consisted of some 300 members scattered over the length and breadth of the land. There were four branches, namely Birmingham, Hull, North Surrey, and Southend.

Today membership has risen to over 900. Branches have increased to a dozen and there are some eighteen in the making.

National policy matters are dealt with by the National Committee but, apart from this body, each branch is autonomous in its own right. It is encouraged to elect its own Chairman and Secretary, also any other officer it wishes, and these then become responsible officers of Contact. Until branches have had an inaugural meeting and such an election has taken place, there are no appointed officers although of course a member who is actively working to form a new branch obviously comes to be regarded as the local organiser 'pro tem'.

Appended is a list of branches and the names and addresses of their Secretaries. Beneath this list are the names and addresses of Contact members who are working to form new branches and to whom, for the time being, enquiries may be addressed. The following examples of persistence and 'pluck' may be of interest both generally and to those facing the formidable task of branch formation.

HULL: At this branch the first 'Junior Secretary', Geoffrey Shearsmith, aged 13, was appointed and quickly got down to recruiting a number of others of his own age. He is now 'dealing with' a supply of leaflets with which he proposes to recruit 'half the junior population of Hull.'

ORKNEY ISLES: Harvey MacGillivray, aged 17, with the assistance of one other young member, Edmund Ross, has confidently set out to get a branch of Contact going in the far-flung town of Kirkwall. He is also attempting to co-ordinate the Sky Watching activities of the whole of Scotland.

REIGATE, JUNIOR: Neville Kemp, aged 11, formed a UFO club with some companions then presented 241 children at his school with a questionnaire. In response to this, 101 admitted to a belief in Flying Saucers, 92 didn't know, and only 48 said they didn't believe.

His school, Holmesdale County Primary, is the only one in the country to have its own closed-circuit television. This was

reported in the National Press and in the T/V Times last November. With the kind support of his Headmaster, Mr. C.I. Price, Neville arranged for a UFO programme to be shown on the T/V and invited me to appear on it. The consequence was the conversion of the UFO Club into a Junior Branch of Contact.

NORTH HERTS. SOUTH CAMBS. TOWN & VILLAGE BRANCH:

The branch organiser here, Allen Webb, aged 16, lives in a country village some 3 miles from Royston. With the aid of 300 leaflets he succeeded in recruiting 3 new members. He has now requested a further supply with which he proposes to 'go round the villages'.

WEST WILTS. BRISTOL. BURNHAM ON SEA: These three branches, whilst remaining separate branches are co-ordinating their Sky Watch activities, and a member is organising this on a regional basis. Any other member willing to undertake the attempt to form another branch of Contact U.K. is invited to write to me. I will provide every assistance possible and will attend the branch's inaugural meeting.

WILLIAM HERSCHELL, Membership Secretary.

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THE WEST WILTSHIRE BRANCH.

Until recently our group has been known as the Trowbridge branch, but as our members now cover a much larger area than the town of Trowbridge, we prefer to be known as the West Wiltshire branch. The majority of our members live in villages in the Trowbridge/Warminster area, although we have members in Bath and Chippenham.

Since May 1967 our membership has risen from five to over thirty, and it is hoped that with publicity we shall increase even more.

Largely because of our position we are not specialising in any one field of UFOlogy other than dealing with our own area, which includes within easy reach Glastonbury, Stonchenge and Warminster's Cradle Hill, although their activities have quietened down considerably.

Our meetings are held fortnightly at Innex Hall in Trowbridge commencing at 7.p.m. During the next few months we hope to receive some interesting lectures from various parties concerned with Contact U.K. subjects. The group led by Mike Wakely is contemplating an excursion to Glastonbury with some of Doug Chaundy's Somerset branch. Also a "sky-watch" is being organised for the 13th April at Crade Hill and all are welcome.

BIRMINGHAM BRANCH Progress Report. by Peter Coleman.

Since the last edition of Awareness was published the Birmingham branch has continued to expand both in members and in activities. The number of people present at our regular meetings continually grows and we seem to be attracting more and more young people intensely interested in UFOs and the underlying implications who are not only willing to discuss the subject but who wish to assist in promoting the organisation.

On February 23rd. we will be holding a large, well publicised public meeting with the Rector of Aldridge, Rev. Cartmel as our main speaker. It is hoped that both the local press and television will cover the event and in doing so attract even more people to join CONTACT.

TO A SLEEPING UNICORN.

Enchanted creature, can you never reawake,
Materialise whilst treading paths that are not my lot?
Of what is it you dream?
A breathless Utopia long-hidden from Man,
Euphorias fast-fleeting?
Symbolic beast, you must have BEEN
In the midst of your companion forms,
Those dragons, centaurs, wizards, elves,
When dinosaurs trod the marshy jungles.

Unicorn, why torment me?
Prancing, laughing, all-deluding,
Some kind of celestial transvestite,
Now brilliant burnished chalcopryrite
As you adorn an adobe roof,
Careering, pirouetting to the Bay.
Poor fool, poor toy, one day... one day-
You'll drop, be trampled, know the Earth
As I do now.

But what of a trifling blacksmith's vane?
Let us turn towards the ocean,
Study the pattern of uneasy waves
Bespattering malignant rock and shifting sand;
Amongst the confusion of splurging foam
I'm given a glimpse - but it has gone,
Oh come and prove you are not
A phantom creature no-one knows
But Real!

O strange Unhorse with gleaming shaft
Eyes of onyx, hooves of ambers, servant of the Apocalypse,
Come challenge me with sulphurous nostrils -
Splintering bone, shattering dimension...
Then unmask, my shining demon
And to dulcet regions lead me:
There you'll soothe my tortured soul,
Bewitch me with a softness unknown here,
or so they say...

Still I stand here on the shoreline
Watching for signals in the sea,
Out of the countless, endless breakers
Which one is my Nemesis?
Then a white horse curls in higher,
Starker, higher than the rest,
This the seventh from where I'd counted
Which plunged and flew the sands to claim me,
Dragged me gasping to its vortex.

Pegasus could not hold such perfection
As this steed which bears me up,
Fulfilling, ascending, transcending
All the realms the Cosmos knows,
Sleek white flanks, his mane a pennant,
Auric horn and noble head,
Into clouds of colours sallying,
Through galaxies and nebulae,
Always onward, ever onwards
Until at length attained some END...

Camilla Erne.

A SIGNAL FROM OUTER SPACE

It is just possible that scientists at Cambridge have stumbled on the first evidence of another civilisation trying to contact us from outer space.

The scientists have picked up a signal coming regularly every 1.337 seconds from a most peculiar star. They have nicknamed the star "LGM" - for Little Green Men.

Said Sir Martin Ryle, Professor of Radio-Astronomy at Cambridge "Our first thought was that this was another intelligence trying to contact us. We cannot completely rule that out".

The star does not conform to any traditional theory of how a star should behave and the scientific community is abuzz with speculation. One astronomer described it as "like a great heart throbbing out in space". It was discovered accidentally by Dr. Anthony Hewish and Mr. Jocelyn Bell of the Mullard Radio Astronomy Observatory while searching the heavens with an array of aerials covering four-and-a-half acres of Cambridgeshire fields.

"They were measuring the scintillation of 'quasars' (highly energetic objects believed to lie far out in the universe) when they noticed some funny fluctuating signals" said Sir Martin.

Dr. Hewish and Mr. Bell joined by Dr. J.D. Pilkington, Dr. P.F. Scott and Mr. R.A. Collins - pin pointed the position of the star as outside our solar system but within the Milky Way (the galaxy of stars of which the earth is a part).

The Cambridge team have just located three other "heart-throbs" in different parts of the sky. Now radio-telescopes all over the world have swung into action hunting for more LGMs.

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